

HOWELL'S.

Preparatory Service and Communion—
Children's Day Exercises—To Honor
the Nation's Birthday.

Correspondence ABOUT AND MERCURY.

—The preparatory service will be held in the lecture room of the Howell's Church, on Saturday, July 2nd, at 2 p. m., and the Lord's supper on the Sunday morning following. As these services were postponed from last month on account of the pastor's illness, the attention of the church members is specially called to this arrangement. A full attendance is particularly desired.

—Children's Day was observed, on Sunday last, in the Howell's Congregational Church, when the pastor, Rev. George H. Hall, preached an appropriate sermon in the morning from the text "As willows by the water courses." The children's exercises were held in the evening when teachers and scholars took part in the service of song entitled "The Builders." The platform and choir alcove were tastefully decorated with evergreens and flowers, while the national flag was gracefully draped behind the choir. An appreciative audience filled the church to its utmost capacity and paid close attention to the various recitations of the scholars and to the beautiful hymns. With their happy faces and white dresses the scholars presented a most pleasing appearance. They not only acquitted themselves well, but they drew together for the occasion many strangers and parents whom pastor and church officers were delighted to see present. During the service Mr. Hall gave a brief address on the subject: "Christ, the Cornerstone." Mrs. Lewis H. Mapes presided at the organ. Collections were taken at both services in aid of the C. S. S. and P. Society.

—As announced last week, the Fourth of July will be appropriately celebrated in Howell's. Arrangements are being made to hold a meeting at 7 o'clock in the evening, when the flag will be raised in front of the church. The Declaration of Independence will be read, patriotic songs will be sung, and the colors will be duly honored. The orator of the occasion will be Nelson B. Mapes. An invitation has been extended by the Ladies' Aid Society to the Otisville Cornet Band to be present. After the gathering, ice cream and cake will be served in the lecture room at a moderate charge. If you are not going to "celebrate" elsewhere on the glorious Fourth, you are cordially invited to be present at our gathering in Howell's.

NEW HAMPTON.

At the Old Home—Personal Mention—
Closing Exercises at the Public
Schools.

Correspondence ABOUT AND MERCURY.

—Jas. McVeigh, the station agent, is spending a short time at his old home in Weedsport, N. Y.

—Miss Lillian King of Monroe was the guest of Miss A. C. Stage Friday and Saturday.

—Mrs. B. E. Mills and daughter, Gertrude, are visiting friends in Brooklyn.

—Mrs. J. C. Rump and children are visiting at H. T. Stage's.

—Master Lester Hulet of Middletown, has been visiting at his grandfather's, H. E. Hulst's, the past week.

—The closing exercises of our village school were held at the school house, Friday afternoon, a number of the friends of the teachers and pupils being present. The room was tastefully decorated with daisies and flags. The exercises consisted of recitations and singing by the school. Special mention should be made of the flag drill which was well executed, and reflected creditably upon the careful training of the teacher, Miss Augusta Wickham. After the exercises, cake and cream were served.

MOUNT HOPE.

Personal Notes—Callers at the Parsonage—Mrs. Stewart's Funeral.

Correspondence ABOUT AND MERCURY.

—Mrs. Sophronia Coleman was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Harriet Smith, on Wednesday night.

—Mrs. Charles Greenleaf spent a few days at the homes of her sons, Fred and Floyd Greenleaf.

—Among the callers at the parsonage, Thursday, were the presiding elder, Rev. Mr. Wright, Robert Boyd, Edson Mapes, Theodore Corwin, or Homer, Mrs. George Penney, Mrs. L. D. B. France, Mrs. Louisa Halstead, Mrs. Charles Greenleaf and Miss Eva Norris.

—Mr. and Mrs. James B. Crawford were guests of Mrs. Lydia Moore, on Tuesday.

—Rev. and Mrs. Luther Littell attended the funeral of Mrs. John J. Stewart, on Monday.

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Dated Middletown, Feb. 15th, 1898.

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WEATHER INDICATIONS.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 1.—Fair to-night and Saturday; cooler to-night.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermometer at Middletown, N. J., today:
7 a. m., 77°; 12 p. m., 82°; 3 p. m., 84°.

AMUSEMENT NOTES.

—July 4.—Picnic of Ontario Hotel Co., No. 5, at Menomoch Park, afternoon and evening.
—July 4.—Excursion to New York, via Erie Railroad.

The treasurer of the State Hospital has been notified by Controller Roberts that he need not affix internal revenue stamps to the checks that he draws on the Hospital's account. This is in accordance with a ruling made by the Internal Revenue Bureau that checks issued on account of a State are exempt from the stamp provisions of the war revenue act.

Col. Tom Brad'ey, of Walden, was in Newburgh, Thursday, and to a News man he said he was not a candidate for Congressional honors. When asked if he would decline a nomination he said it was too early to announce what he would do. In former years Col. Brad'ey has always been quick to say that he was too busy making knives to think of making laws, and it may be that his eyes are now turning toward Washington.

The jingo Congressman who was shouting, last winter, that as soon as Cuban belligerency was recognized Spain would get off the western hemisphere and who predicted before war was declared that Spain would be forced to sue for peace in a month, now sadly reflects, as he licks revenue stamps for his checks, that doubtful things are mighty uncertain and that the duration of a war with even a crippled and tottering power is one of the most uncertain of uncertain things.

Mayor Van Wyck's appointment of Henry E. Abell of Brooklyn, as Police Commissioner is accepted by politicians as meaning that an understanding has been reached between Platt and Tammany. Abell has for years been Platt's close friend, and all the political ferment he has ever enjoyed, has come through Platt's favor. He has no special ability and few of the qualities that win political success. By Platt's direction he was, a year ago, taken care of by being given a place in the Long Island State Hospital, and that he should be dragged from such obscurity and given the responsible, honorable and lucrative position of Police Commissioner, is regarded as most significant.

If a deal has been made by Platt and Quigg with Tammany it will soon be disclosed by the attitude of the machine Republicans toward the measure for State control of elections which Gov. Black has been concocting. There never was any sincerity in the Republican clamor about election frauds that Tammany proposed to perpetrate through its control of the Police Department. No one knew better than the men and newspapers that howled most loudly that under our election laws fraud is practically impossible and that votes have to be counted as cast. The loss of the patronage of the Police Department was what hurt them but it would not do to publicly and frankly admit this and, therefore, the cry of election frauds was raised as a pretext for legislation that would again place Republicans in control of the New York police. Gov. Black could not be coaxed or bullied into agreeing to approve of legislation that would rip up the New York charter, but in order to save appearances and give a semblance of sincerity to the pure elections howl announced himself as willing to help put through a bill for State control of elections. Machine Republicans clamoring for the bread of patronage saw that this wasn't even giving them a stone. They regarded it as a "gold brick," and what more natural than that they should turn to Tammany and offer to accept the crumbs that it would give?

IN THE RAILROAD WORLD.

T. D. Rogers has been made station agent at Southfield, vice F. A. Leary, resigned.

—On July 4th, the Erie will sell excursion tickets from Middletown to Stony Brook and return at the rate of ninety cents. Tickets good returning on day of July 4. Leave Middletown at 10:45 a. m. and return at 4:45 p. m.

BATTLE RAGING.

The Attack on Santiago Begun.

FIERCE FIGHTING.

Land and Naval Forces Both Engaged.

General Assault on Santiago Begun by Land and Sea Forces.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

PLAYA DEL ESTE, July 1.—A general assault on Santiago by the land and sea forces of the United States began this morning. The Ve-venus used her dynamite guns to good advantage. Hard fighting is in progress all along the line northeast of the town of Santiago. Will keep you continually advised of its progress.

SHAFTER, Major General, Commanding. 11:20 a. m.—Gen. Lawton advanced and took a position on the Cabana suburb.

Morro Castle and other forts at the harbor entrance were bombarded by the fleet.

The Spanish fleet in the harbor fired upon the American troops who are very close to the city. Nine wounded Cubans have been brought in.

LAWTON'S DIVISION BEGAN THE FIGHT.

WASHINGTON, July 1.—Secretary Alger has received the following dispatch from Gen. Shafter, dated:

CAMP SEVILLA, Cuba, July 1, 9 a. m.—An action is now going on but the firing is light and desultory. It began on the right, near Caneya, with Lawton's Division. He will move on and may lead to a general assault on Santiago.

Gen. Lawton's command will be pushed two miles further forward and capture Caneya from which place the Spanish intrenchments can be bombarded.

FIGHTING GROWING FURIOUS.

WASHINGTON, July 1.—Signal Officer Allen has sent a dispatch saying that the fighting is growing furious at Santiago. Eight Americans and nine Cubans have been wounded. Sampson's fleet is hotly engaging the forts.

A REPUBLIC PROCLAIMED IN MANILA.

LONDON, July 1.—The representative here of Aguinaldo, in an interview today, is quoted as saying that he has received a despatch from Cavite saying a Republic has been proclaimed by Aguinaldo under the protection of the United States and approved by Great Britain and Japan.

MANZANILLO BOMBARDED.

Four American War Ships Engaged and One Reported to Have Been Disabled.

New York, July 1.—The New York Journal's Spanish correspondent sends the following:

SANTIAGO, July 1.—Four American warships bombarded Manzanillo ninety miles west of here, yesterday. They did much damage to the batteries defending the harbor. The Spanish guns replied compelling the Americans to retire with one ship disabled. The Spanish gunboats in the harbor went to the defense of the works. The Americans then moved out of range, but returned, when the gunboats took position and returned the American fire until the latter ceased.

It is believed the Americans learning that Pando had left Manzanillo with troops for Santiago hoped to land a force of men and take the city and destroy its defenses.

The Americans are using captive balloons to ascertain the nature of the fortifications.

GERMAN ADMIRAL REFUSED TO INTERFERE.

BERLIN, July 1.—The following dispatch has been received from Hong Kong:

According to trustworthy intelligence from Manila the Spanish Governor General, at his own request, had a meeting with the German Admiral, Dedrichs, a few days ago, in order to propose that Manila be handed over to the provisional charge of a neutral commander. The proposal was rejected by Dedrichs in view of the American blockade.

PRESIDENT'S ASSISTANT SECRETARY

WASHINGTON, July 1.—President McKinley, to-day, appointed George Bruce Cortelyou, of New York, Assistant Secretary to the President, to fill the additional position recently created by Congress.

FRESHMAN RACE POSTPONED.

SARATOGA, July 1.—The Freshman race was postponed till 12 o'clock on account of rough water, and at that hour was postponed until 3.30.

BEFORE THE BATTLE.

A Delayed Despatch Describes Conditions at Santiago Yesterday.
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PLAYA DEL ESTE, Thursday.—The American forces now numbering nearly 17,000, still occupy a position in a long line five miles east of Santiago. No forward movement has been made during the past 24 hours, owing to the difficulty of forwarding sufficient supplies from the base at Juaragua. General Shafter is at the front conducting a reconnaissance in person.

The town of Caneya, which commands the island entrance into Santiago, lies close to the American right wing and probably will be taken without difficulty soon, as it is held by only a small guard of Spanish troops. It is believed the investment of Santiago will follow the capture of Caneya.

About 5,000 Cubans are operating with the American army at the front and the Spanish force defending Santiago is estimated at from 12,000 to 20,000. Unless checked by the small force of Cubans holding the mountain passes, Gen. Pando with his 8,000 men, marching from Manzanillo, ought to reach Santiago to support Gen. Linares in a few days.

The American camps have been soaked by recent rains and the roads are bad but officers and men are confident they will be able to make a general attack soon and that Santiago will fall before them.

The cable was placed in operation this morning at Juaragua, Altaros and Siboney and communication is now open between the invading army and Washington.

SAGASTA SAYS PEACE TALK IS ABSURD.

MADRID, July 1.—Premier Sagasta, in an interview, to-day, in regard to peace rumors said: "They are absurd. I am astonished any attention is paid to them. There will not be and cannot be any discussion in regard to the matter. I affirm this absolutely. The government cannot treat for peace now. Action depends on developments and the government will not act until the proper time comes."

COOLNESS BETWEEN BLANCO AND CERVERA.

LONDON, July 1.—The Pall Mall Gazette's Madrid correspondent telegraphs saying he hears a coolness exists between Blanco and Cervera, adding that it appears Blanco ordered Cervera to leave Santiago and the admiral replied he would be glad to leave, but his guns were dismounted and he was without coal and an American admiral was waiting outside.

LYING ABOUT CAMARA'S FLEET.

MADRID, July 1.—Camara's fleet is announced to have passed through the Suez Canal.

LONDON, July 1.—Officials of the United States Embassy discredit the Madrid despatch saying that Camara has passed through the Suez Canal. They say he had not entered the Canal this morning.

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—New school commences on July 1.
—Good men wanted.
—Granulated sugar 50¢ a hundred at Sloan's Cash Store.
—When ailing, take Manly's Remedies.
—Backache cured by Benson's Caprice Plasters.
—Cuts cured by Hale's Horseand, Honey and Tar.
—For kidney troubles, take Kennedy's Favorite Remedy.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Remember that the third page of this paper contains good local matter, today.

—Worms are doing much damage to Ellenville's handsome maple trees.

—An ugly looking adder was killed, a few days ago, on the Ellenville High School's grounds.

—C. D. Hanford's windows attract attention. Warren J. Adams patriotic decorations are very fetching.

—Gen. Lyon Post, No. 266, G. A. R., has received and accepted an invitation to the celebration at Hurleyville, Friday, July 1.

—The 24th Separate Company Band has been engaged to give a concert on the lawn at the State Hospital during the afternoon of July 4.

—At a special meeting of the Business Men's Association held at the Board of Trade rooms, Wednesday, June 22, it was unanimously resolved to close stores July 4, and it is earnestly requested that all business houses will join in the movement to honor the day.

87d2t A. H. Crawford, Sec.

PERSONAL.

—Dr. Fred C. Royce of Brooklyn, is in town.

—Clarence Rogers went to Waverly, today.

—Mrs. E. C. Royce of Walton, is visiting in this city.

—Dr. W. E. Douglas has gone to Franklin, N. Y., for a few days' visit.

—Mrs. E. C. Crowell of New York, is the guest of her parents, near Rockville.

—Miss Belle Wood, of Middletown, is visiting friends in Montgomery—Republican.

—Miss Lillie Samuels, of Middletown, is visiting Miss Ada Ryall.—Port Jervis Gazette.

—Miss Mary Wood, from Middletown, has been spending a few days in town.—Warwick Advertiser.

—Miss Helen Hanley, who has been visiting in New York and Brooklyn, returned home today.

—Mrs. Bannister and Miss Martha Bannister, of New York, are guests of Mrs. F. D. Youngblood.

—Dr. and Mrs. E. Spencer Kinney and sons, Harry and Selden, and Miss Emily Judson, went to Atlantic City, today, for a week.

—George E. Kernochan, of New York, whose illness has been mentioned in this paper, is recovering health rapidly. He is now the guest of Frank D. Kernochan.

—David B. Myers, of Mechanicstown, came to Ellenville last week and spent several days with his brother James A. Myers, of the Terrace Hill House.—Journal.

—Mrs. T. P. Pitts, of Middletown, has been in Warwick for a few days' visit at the home of Dr. Pitts. Many of her old friends are delighted to see her.—Warwick Advertiser.

—Miss Eleanor Shaffer of Middletown, is visiting at Terrace Hill House. Misses Jessie Hume and Eliza Dayton went to Middletown Tuesday afternoon for a few days' visit.—Ellenville Press.

—Miss Alice Hartwell, of this city, is mentioned as among the guests in attendance on the wedding of Howell S. Bennett and Miss Margaretta Hornbeck, in Port Jervis, Wednesday evening.

—The Amity correspondent of the Warwick Advertiser notes that Miss Bessie Simpson, of this city, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Layton. Also that J. W. Thorn, of this city, spent Sunday at Chas. F. Walling's.

—The Ellenville Journal, noting the recent visit of B. S. Dayton to that village, says that "postmastering appears to agree with him." Mr. Dayton's aged father accompanied him to Ellenville and will remain for a while with his son, A. Dayton, of that village.

The Milk Price Advanced to Two Cents
The Milk Exchange, Wednesday, voted to advance the price of milk from one and three-fourths cents to two cents a quart. The general opinion among dealers was that milk would be scarce before the season was over.

Sharkey and all Other Performers Here.
Tom Sharkey who will box with Louis Jester at the Casino to-night, called at the ARGUS office this afternoon. He is in fine condition and will surely appear. All the performers announced by Mr. Jester are here and will appear.

Summoned to Port Hamilton.
H. A. Smith and DeWitt S. Bannister, received word, today, to go to Port Hamilton if they desired to be accepted in the 24th.

Smith went on the Mountain Express and Bannister left on No. 6 at noon.

5100—Dr. E. Botchom's Anti-Morale.
May be worth to you more than \$100 if you have a child who soils bedding from incontinence of water during sleep. Cures old and young alike. It arrests the trouble at once. \$1. Sold by J. E. Mills, druggist, Middletown, N. Y.

Hundreds of lives saved every year by having Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil in the house just when it is needed. Cures croup, head burns, cuts, wounds of every sort.

A FATAL BLOW.

A Sullivan County Farmer Killed by a Blow from a Wrecked Man's Flat.
From the Rockland Review.

Patrick Morrison, an old and highly respected resident of Liberty, was instantly killed, Tuesday evening, by James Somers, a tenant on the farm of Morrison's brother, John Morrison.

Both of the Morrisons are well to do, they having been lucky in the California gold mines in the early fifties. Since their return to the east, John has been engaged in farming, his brother spending most of his time with him until the place was leased to Somers last April.

Somers seemed to object to Patrick Morrison's presence about the farm (although it was still the home of both brothers) but nothing came of it until Tuesday evening, when Somers, returning from the field found that Patrick had done work at the barn which he did not approve of. After a few abusive words Somers struck the old man (Mr. Morrison was nearly 80 years old) a terrible blow with his fist on the side of the neck. Morrison fell without a word, and when his brother John, who was milking in the barn reached him, he was dead.

Somers seemed in a frenzy of rage and threatened to attack John, but after a few minutes helped to carry his victim to the house, and Coroner John A. Miller of Roscoe, was sent for.

Mrs. Whitcomb and Miller made a careful post mortem examination of the body and found that the blow was, without any doubt, the direct cause of death. After the autopsy, Coroner Miller held an inquest on the body, the jury finding a verdict in accordance with the facts.

AT THE CASINO, TO-NIGHT.

Tom Sharkey is Here and All the Other Attractions Will Appear as Advertised

Louis Jester's performance, to-night, at the Casino, will be witnessed by a large number of people from this city and Goshen. He will give a four round exhibition with Tom Sharkey, who quickly disposed of Rubin at Cone Island, Wednesday night. Mr. Sharkey is here and will surely appear as advertised.

The programme includes many well known vaudeville specialists, and Mr. Jester says that there will not be any objectionable features. Ladies may attend as freely as in New York's continuous performance houses. The Casino will be made as cool as possible and the expected crowd will be well entertained.

Miss Jessie Jester will appear in several numbers.

Port Jervis Trustees Decide to Purchase a Gleason-Bailey Truck.

Although thirty-eight out of forty members of Port Jervis Hook and Ladder Company desired the purchase of a Hayward (or Ramsey) truck the trustees approved the action of the committee in purchasing a Gleason-Bailey truck similar to the one used by Excelsior Hook and Ladder Company, of this city. While the matter was pending before the trustees Chief Harding said the agent for the Hayward truck had virtually offered him a bribe to favor its purchase.

Wore Her Mother's Wedding Gown.

Miss Rose E. M. Worden, who was married to Charles E. Nease in St. Mary's Church, Port Jervis, Wednesday evening, wore a beautiful gown of ashes of roses silk, richly trimmed with point lace, which was worn by her mother, Mrs. Thomas C. Worden, when she was married in Brooklyn, twenty-four years ago, last January.

Gone to Port Hamilton.

Among those who went to Port Hamilton, today, were Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Gunther, Mrs. E. W. Van Duzer, Mrs. A. L. Decker, Rector Evans, C. Macardell and the Misses Macardell. Abram Macardell, Mrs. A. E. Nickinson and Mrs. C. Macardell, Jr.

Middletown School of Stenography.

The spring term of the Middletown School of Stenography in the Times building, Mrs. M. L. Conkling principal, closed today. The year has been very successful. The fall term will begin Tuesday, Sept. 6.

O. and W. Excursion.

The Ontario and Western offers in the excursion rates announced for Saturday a fine chance for Middletowners having friends in the 24th to visit them before they start for Manila. d2t

Successful Lawn Festival.

The festival given on the First Congregational church lawn Thursday night was a success from a financial standpoint. The patronage was of a most satisfactory character.

Home from Port Hamilton.

Privates C. Shaffer, Dickerson and Glavin arrived in town today noon, and will return to-morrow. Corporal Powellson will be home this afternoon on leave of absence till Monday morning.

A Five Pound Trout.

The Ellenville Journal says that Dr. Howard took a 24-inch trout weighing five pounds from the fish ponds at Napach recently.

The vitascope animated pictures are true to life. Don't fail to see them at Midway Park, free. Change of pictures each evening. Our own 24th Separate Company and its officers will be in. Brave Capt. McIntyre and other pictures will be shown later. Music afternoon and evening. Dancing Wednesday evening after the exhibition. 88d2t

By morning at 10:30 in Dr. Howard's office. One cent a glass.

REGULAR ARMY RECRUITS.

A Squad of White and Colored Men, Enlisted in Port Jervis, Taken to New York, To-day—Five of Them from Middletown.

Lieut. Chamberlain, of the 1st United States Artillery, visited Port Jervis, Thursday, and mustered in the recruits enlisted by Commander Eckle, of Carroll Post, after they had passed the physical examination made by Dr. Knapp.

The white recruits will be assigned to the heavy artillery, light artillery and cavalry, and the colored men to the 10th United States Cavalry and 24th United States Infantry.

The following were among the white recruits sworn in:

James A. Williams, Mat. A. Matthews, Middletown; Herbert C. Teller, George W. Skelenger, Harry Shippard, Edward J. Keiley, R. Uppen, Port Jervis; James J. McMahon, Oneville; Phineas Conkling, Hainesville; Frank A. Jones, Lackawaxen; Harvey E. James, Chest-rd; Arthur A. Barnum, Monticello; Herman Hoehna, New York city; Robert Lapath, Atlanta; Benjamin Van Wagner, War-warsing; Howard R. Elliott, Forest-burgh.

The colored recruits were: C. Raymond West, Frank Van Horn, Robert Ashe, Edward Drivers, J. E. Westfall, Clarence L. West, Port Jervis; Albert McKay, William Miller, Paterson; Steven A. Ashe, Baltimore.

The party left for New York on the Orange County express, this morning. They had a whole car to themselves and they made things lively while the train stopped here. A darkey who was among the recruits, gave one of his brethren here a sound lecture, winding up with "youse coons ain't got no nerve."

PRIVATE SENGSTACKEN HOME.

Called Here by His Son's Illness—Was Had a Snap at Camp Black and Fort Hamilton.

Private S. H. Sengstacken returned home today. He is not expected at Fort Hamilton until Sunday night. His son here is quite ill, and he came home particularly on that account.

Private Sengstacken, who was formerly a special policeman at the State Hospital, has had a first class snap at Camp Black and Fort Hamilton. He was in charge of Major Chase's horse, and that comprised his whole duty. He was not called on for drills or guard duty, and he received \$10 more a month than other privates.

He exercised the Major's horse on the boulevards of Brooklyn, and was at leisure much of the time.

Thursday he took the Major's horse to Newburgh, for it won't be needed at Manila.

Mr. Sengstacken states that the boys are "true blue" and are ready and willing to go wherever they are sent.

PLAYED WITH THE PILOT.

A Little Girl Indulged in Very Dangerous Sport.

Repeating Correspondence of Wantage Recorder.

Florence, the little six-year-old daughter of George Wilson, of Woodburn, who is full of childish glee, recently found much enjoyment by stamping her foot on the head of some object she saw protruding from the foundation of the house.

As she would lift her foot the object would again make its appearance, and as before she would stamp it with her foot, and so the sport went on, until her motherless attracted the attention of her older sister, who, when she saw the game, was badly scared and ran to call her mother. It is needless to say that the sport between the two was ended, assistance was called, and the hiding place of the little one's friend revealed, and there lay a monstrous pilot.

OBITUARY.

Marion Cox.

Marion, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Cox, died, this morning, at the home of her parents, No. 24 Spring street, of diphtheria, aged four years and five months. Her mother is now sick with the same disease.

The funeral was private. Interment in Phillipsburgh Cemetery.

A Large Crop of Onions Almost Certain

The onion crop on the black dirt meadows of this county is in a most promising condition, the rainy season having been most favorable for the growth of weeds and it has required hard and consistent work to keep ahead of them. Unless prices are very low Orange county onion growers will have well filled pockets after marketing their crops.

Base Ball Notes.

The game in Port Jervis Wednesday between the nine composed of single and married men, was won by the former. Score 11 to 9. The attendance was very large and the game afforded a great deal of sport.

Real Estate Sales.

—Through the agency of E. E. Conkling, Herbert H. Maydole, of Rochester, N. Y., has sold his cottage, situate corner of Washington street and Sprague avenue, to George B. Potter, of this city. Possession given at once.

No other preparation has ever done so many people so much good as Hood's Sarsaparilla, America's Greatest Medicine.

If you intend to be a business man, get a business education at the Ramond School of Business and Shorthand, 25 North St., Middletown, N. Y.

AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN TOWN.

Organ Recital To-Night—National Express Office Closed—Big Man From Mad Pond.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

—W. W. Whidditt's organ recital, will be given in the Presbyterian Church to-night. Mr. Whidditt will be assisted by Miss Carolyn A. Howland, contralto.

—The National Express Co. will abandon its Goshen line. Business will cease to-day.

—Cataract E. & H. Co. will meet to-night.

—Several large bass have been recently captured at the Mud Pond along the trolley line. A bass caught Monday weighed 4½ pounds.

—Father Gilbert, a brother of Nazareth, is at Goshen to-day visiting Rev. George C. Berta.

—Village taxes will not be collected until about July 15th.

—Mary Coholan of Middletown, is visiting at Clover Hill Farm.

—The colored recruits of Port Jervis who passed through Goshen this morning, were lustily cheered by their colored brethren at this village.

An Invalid Frightened by a Snake in Her Room.

Mrs. Theo. F. Young, of near Huntsville, Sussex county, while sick in bed, happened to glance at the floor of her room and saw a large snake there. She rang a bell to summon help, but the movement and noise frightened the snake and it glided from the room. When Mr. Young responded to his wife's summons he was sure her imagination had played her a trick, but in a few minutes the snake was seen in the hall and chased into a bath room and killed.

Don't Care for the Conductors' Claim Bake.

From the Livingston Manor Ensign

Livingston Manor will not have the conductors' claim bake, this year. The committee having charge of the bake wrote to J. F. Sherwood inquiring what Livingston Manor would do. Mr. Sherwood replied that his grounds and utensils were at the disposal of the conductors free of charge, but we would raise no money for the bake this time.

Will Try for Bicycle Race Honors.

Wythe Smith and De Los Taylor went to Morristown, to-day, to participate in bicycle race there.

Two Middletowners are entered for the Newburgh Wheelmen's Fourth of July race, —Romaine Sitzer in the one mile novice and Lee M. Barnes in the Orange county championship, half mile.

Republican County Committee Organized.

The Republican County Committee met at the St. Elmo, Goshen, Thursday, and organized for the year by electing L. F. Goodwell, chairman, and J. B. Sweeter, secretary. The county convention will be held, October 6, at Goshen.

Lighted a Fire With Kerosene.

Hector J. Schoonmaker, of Decker-town, who is employed in DeWitt's milk store in Paterson, started a fire with kerosene, a few days ago. The explosion which followed burned his face, hands arms very badly and he is now under a doctor's care.

THE MODERN BEAUTY.

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This day means fun for the American boy, but to the American man if he be a business man it means work for at least a

JOHN W. SCHOONMAKER, Administrator,
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Low Building, Middletown, N. Y. dTues-July

THE TIP OF THE TONGUE.

There is one deliberate lie that the average man will tell and not turn color. It occurs when, on entering a barber shop, he discovers that the number of customers ahead indicates considerable delay for himself, and the following conversation occurs:

Barber—"Through in a minute."

Visitor—"Well, I'll come back."

Barber—"Only two ahead; you're right next."

Visitor—"I'll come back later."

He goes out and heads for another shop, while the barber don't quite regret his equanimity for the remainder of the day, for he knows that the departed one never meant to come back.

With apologies to Town Topics:

Ex-member—Let's go to Fort Hamilton, to-morrow.

Old Boak—All right.

Ex-member—What train shall we take?

Old Boak (setting down his glass)—Orange county.

Only a few saw her mistake, but she changed color more quickly than Jimmy Michael, chameleon. You see she had left her wheel standing at the curb while she entered a well-known dry goods store on North street. While she was looking at the dainties, etc., a young man rode up with a wheel of the same family as hers, but of course, of the opposite sex. He left his standing a little ways from hers, but she came out first. She walked quickly to his wheel and prepared to mount it modestly, when, "gracious!" She saw it was a diamond frame.

Another glance and she saw her own wheel and she got aboard and rode away as fast as the law allows.

"Biff" Roth is never shy when the pencil shavers get together and good stories are told.

"I was up to the old reservoir, the other day," said Biff, "and I never got a strike. A young farmer sat a little way from me, and he caught a half dozen nice ones. When he started for home I asked him what bait he was using. 'Why,' said he, 'I've got a funny bait.' He showed me that he had two hooks on his line. A crab was on the lower hook and a large green pea was hooked on the other. I laughed at him, but after he'd gone I went over in Mr. Ogden's garden and got a few peas and tried that idea. 'Did it work?' Well you ask the boys who saw the nine bass I brought home, if it didn't work."

A Church in a Deserted Village to be Closed.

The Board of Domestic Missions of the Reformed Church has decided that it is not worth while to try and longer sustain the church at Glenham, Dutchess county, and the support given it will be withdrawn and the church abandoned. The church was organized sixty years ago and when the Glenham carpet mills were running was attended by large congregations.

Receipts Instead of Checks at the Savings Bank.

The Middletown Savings Bank, in order to save depositors the cost of the two-cent stamp on checks, has discontinued the use of checks and substituted receipts which the depositor signs on receiving the money he wishes to draw. This system was in use by savings banks generally before the civil war stamp tax was repealed.

A Child Killed by Falling from a Bed.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilford Broadhead, of Milford, fell asleep Wednesday evening while his mother was calling on Mrs. Lizzie Mott. The child was placed on a bed in an adjoining room and a little later was found on the floor in an unconscious condition. It could not be roused and died soon afterward.

St. Joseph's Church Notes.

At St. Joseph's Church, this morning, at 7 o'clock, there were devotions to the Sacred Heart and 200 people received communion.

Next Sunday both masses will be low and the sermon, vespers and Sunday School will be dispensed with.

An Arabian priest from Beyrout will be here, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday and will say mass for the twenty-one Arabians in this city.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c.

Hall's Family Pills are the best.

No need to fear sudden attacks of cholera infantum, dysentery, diarrhoea, or summer complaint, if you have Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry in the medicine chest.

Energy all gone? Headache? Stomach out of order? Simply a case of torpid liver. Burdock Blood Bitters will make a new man or woman of you.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Wallkill Council, Jr. O. U. A. M., Elects New Officers.

At the regular meeting of Wallkill Council, No. 92, Jr. O. U. A. M., held in its new rooms in the Times building, Thursday evening, June 30th, the following were elected officers for the ensuing term:

Councilor—Joel B. Wheeler.

Vice Councilor—C. C. Denmark.

Rec. Sec.—C. E. Decker.

Asst. Rec. Sec.—Ernest Loder.

Fin. Sec.—L. A. Newton.

Treasurer—J. D. Brinkerhoff.

Conductor—Ernest Hallock.

Warden—H. L. Thorpe.

Inside Sentinel—William Corwin.

Outside Sentinel—George W. Devans.

Trustee (eighteen months)—William J. Greening.

Trustee (twelve months)—Emory Cudney.

Trustee (six months)—R. W. Lindsay.

Representative to State Council—John D. Powers.

Alternate—J. F. Hallock.

The installation of officers will be held next Thursday evening, July 7th, when there will be an entertainment and supper for members and their friends and wives only.

A Whole Village Frightened by Two Mischievous Boys.

Jeffersonville was frightened, last week, by peculiar and mysterious noises heard night after night in different parts of town. It was supposed that a bear or other wild beast was prowling about the village and some of the more timid ones were afraid to venture out after nightfall. An explanation of the mystery has been found in the mischievous sport of two boys, who, by twirling a shingle tied to a string, made the noise that frightened the villagers but which afforded the youngsters a great deal of amusement.

Erie's Dollar Excursion to New York on July 4th.

On Monday, July 4th, the Erie will sell excursion tickets to New York at rate of \$1, tickets good going on special train leaving James street station at 7:54 a. m., Main street 7:56 a. m. Returning on special train leaving Jersey City at 8 p. m. Go to the base ball games both morning and afternoon at the Polo Grounds, New York, between the New York and Boston clubs, or spend the day at the seashore. 79d12t

Bank Dividends.

—The First National Bank of Warwick declares its semi-annual dividend of 5 per cent. on its stock, from its six months' business beside carrying a balance to its surplus.

—A semi-annual dividend of 5 per cent. was declared by the Sussex National Bank.

—The Merchants' National Bank, of this city, to-day, declared a dividend of 2½ per cent. payable on and after July 9.

—The Orange County Trust and Safe Deposit Company's trustees will meet, to-night, to declare a dividend.

The German Lutheran Church.

All persons in any way interested in the organization of a German Evangelical Lutheran church in Middletown, are urged to be present at a meeting in the lecture room of the First Presbyterian Church, Sunday afternoon, July 3rd, at 8 o'clock.

An Explanation.

The reason for the great popularity of Hood's Sarsaparilla lies in the fact that this medicine positively cures. It is America's Greatest Medicine, and the American people have an abiding confidence in its merits. They buy and take it for simple as well as serious ailments, confident that it will do them good.

HOOD'S PILLS cure all liver ills. Mailed for 25c. by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

The Population of Middletown.

Is about 15,000 and we would say at least one-half are troubled with some affection of the Throat and Lungs, as those complaints are, according to statistics, more numerous than others. We would advise all not to neglect the opportunity to call on their druggists and get a bottle of Kemp's Balsam for the Throat and Lungs. Price 25c and 50c. Trial size free. Sold by all druggists.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT.

JAS. P. TIGHE, Commission Broker, Stern Building, 16 North street, Middletown, N. Y. Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or carried on margin.

NEW YORK, July 1, '98.

Yesterday To-day
Close Close
Sugar..... 12 1/2 12 1/2
Chicago Wheat..... 119 120 1/2
Nat. Lead..... 84 84
General Electric..... 31 31
U. S. L. pref..... 66 1/2 66 1/2
Tenn. Coal and Iron..... 25 1/2 25 1/2
A. T. & S. F..... 12 1/2 12 1/2
C. B. & Q..... 105 105 1/2
C. M. & St. P..... 98 1/2 98 1/2
R. I..... 97 97 1/2
D. L. & W..... 84 84 1/2
Erie..... 84 84 1/2
D. and H..... 15 15
O. & W..... 15 1/2 15 1/2
Duquesne & Western..... 15 1/2 15 1/2
P. & R. Hanna & West., pref..... 19 1/2 19 1/2
N. Y. W..... 125 1/2 125 1/2
L. S..... 116 1/2 116 1/2
M. P..... 35 35 1/2
Texas..... 12 1/2 12 1/2
U. P..... 25 1/2 25 1/2
W. Union..... 85 85
C. & N..... 61 1/2 62 1/2
M. & N..... 104 1/2 105 1/2
P. M..... 25 25 1/2
Wabash, pref..... 18 18 1/2
Yo. Pacific, pref..... 18 18 1/2
Metropolitan Traction..... 157 1/2 158 1/2
Brooklyn Rapid Transit..... 64 1/2 64 1/2
Southern, pref..... 29 1/2 29 1/2
Sept. Wheat..... 78 78 1/2
Sept. Corn..... 81 1/2 81 1/2
Sept. Oats..... 21 1/2 21 1/2
Sept. Pork..... 99 1/2 99 1/2
Sept. Lard..... 5 3/4 5 3/4

24TH BOYS OFF FOR MANILA.

The O. and W. Give a Chance to Mid-dletowners to Bid Them Good-bye.

On account of the 1st Volunteer Regiment, of which Co. I, the 24th boys, of Middletown, is a part, having been ordered to start for Manila on Tuesday next, the Ontario and Western will run an excursion to New York, on Saturday, July 2d, at \$1.60 for the round trip. Tickets will be good going on trains 2 and 6, leaving Middletown, Wickham avenue, at 4:30 and 6:38 p. m. Train 2 also stops at Main street, leaving there at 4:32. No. 6 makes no stop at Main street. The tickets will be good returning up to and including July 4th. This will be a good opportunity for the 24th boys' friends to visit them before they leave for the Philippine Islands. d2t

Fourth of July Attractions at Midway Park—Balloon Ascensions During the Week.

On the Fourth at Midway Park, free: Balloon ascension, fireworks, battle of Manila. Two world renowned artists, Yrof. Stewart and his wife, Blanche, with their two trained dogs, will descend from a height of 5,000 feet, each attached to a parachute. Magnificent display of fireworks on the evening of the Fourth. Balloon ascensions as follows: Monday, July 4th, 4 p. m. and 8 p. m.; Tuesday, July 5th, 8 p. m.; Wednesday, July 6th, 4 p. m.; Thursday, July 7th, 8 p. m.; Friday, July 8th, 4 p. m.; Saturday, July 9th, 8 p. m.; Sunday, July 10th, 4 and 8 p. m. No expense spared to make the day a memorable one. Invite your out of town friends. 88d3t

Sunday Excursion to Coney Island.

The Ontario and Western will run a Coney Island excursion, on Sunday, July 10. Excursionists will be conveyed from Weehawken direct to Coney Island by one of the magnificent iron steamboats, passing Fort Hamilton, where the 24th boys are located. The rate for the entire trip from Middletown will be but \$1. advd

HAVEN.

Death of Edna Henderson—Fine Crop Prospects—Personal and Local Notes.

Correspondence ABOVE and MERCURY.

—Little Edna, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Moses Henderson, died, Wednesday evening, at 6 o'clock. She was about eight years of age. She was very patient through a long illness as she had been ailing for a year or so, her disease finally terminating in brain fever. Last week she made the remark to one of her little playmates that she wished that her sufferings were at an end. She was a good and lovable child and we have every reason to believe that she is now at rest in Jesus. The bereaved family have the sympathy of the entire neighborhood in their sorrow.

—Dr. Piper has commenced haying in earnest and has also commenced his harvest. I notice quite a number of fields of rye ready for harvesting. There is no use in talking, our hay crop is just immense. Rye is also well filled, but oats seem to be very rusty. Corn and potatoes are looking very promising. The hail that we had a week ago was not as damaging to crops as was thought at the time and the badly cut crops now seem all right.

—Mrs. S. Caskey froze two freezers of ice cream from the hail that fell a week ago.

—Miss Hattie Moore, of Cuddebackville has a fine new wheel. She was home Sunday last and showed us Havenites how to ride.

—Messrs. Tucker and Moore are home from Port Jervis. They have a contract with H. R. Philcox to draw 500 cords of wood for him.

—Mrs. Wm Moore, of North Haven was calling on friends at this place, Wednesday.

—Mrs. Brown and granddaughter were visiting at her son's David Maser's Sunday.

—A. Grimes has fine new potatoes. They have been planted about two weeks.

—Mrs. A. E. McCune, of Wurtsboro visited her sister, Mrs. A. Grimes, Wednesday.

—Will Seales, of Chester was in town, Wednesday.

DIED.

COX—In this city, July 1, '98, of diphtheria, at 24 Spring street, Marion daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Cox, aged four years, five months. Funeral private. Interment Phillipsburgh Cemetery.

\$5.50 A HUNDRED

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\$5.75 Per Barrel

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FIREWORKS in great variety, wholesale or retail.

THE Klondike isn't it with the bargains in second-hand goods at LOEVEN'S Storage House, 21 Moushagen avenue. 7d1y0c23, 24

MASON'S Can Rubbers 4c a dozen at DAYTON'S.

PHILIP A. RORTY, Counselor at law, 15 East Main street. Local business of all kinds. Special attention to searching and collections. d1d1

TANSY, Pennyroyal and Cotton Root Pills, the ladies' friend. Safe, prompt, reliable. Get the genuine. CHAMBERS' Post Office Pharmacy, 57 North street, second door from post office.

AGENTS—Wanted for "Our Naval War With Spain." Splendidly illustrated. Only one cent book to be published. Free outfit ready. See THOMAS WATTS, 114 5th avenue, New York. 28d3t

PRETTY Cottage, newly papered and painted inside, painted outside, flagged, curbed, lawn, city water, etc., on East Main street, trolley passing door, for rent at very low figures, hire it occupied. See THOMAS WATTS, 114 5th avenue, New York. 28d3t

A Good Man Wanted.

A good opportunity for the right man for Orange county or local district, as preferred. Wanted, a man well and favorably known, (practical man preferred), to sell on commission, Hinges, King & Co.'s High Grade Paints and Varnishes. Apply with references and full particulars of qualifications, to BILLINGS, KING & CO., 48 Pearl St., New York City. A painter, upon application will receive from us valuable hints on painting and varnishing. dFrioJuly1, 98

Land Plaster 35c Per Hundred

FINE HONEY MEAL 70 CTS PER HUNDRED.

Ground Oats \$1.20 Per Hundred

CRACKED CORN 83 CTS. A HUNDRED.

Corn Meal 83 Cents Per Hundred

RYE, CORN AND OATS HORSE FEED

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Finest Full Cream on Sale at

MAPES BROS.,

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HART DAVIS,

No. 45 North St.

JULY Offerings in Summer Goods!

This is the time of year when the shopping public is looking for just such bargains as we are enumerating in the columns below. There is no necessity for us to dwell upon the merits of the values we quote. We leave it to an unprejudiced public to judge for themselves. All we can say in their favor is that they are gotten by careful buying with the spot cash; that counts more than anything else at this time of the year with importers, jobbers and manufacturers. Just now you will find tempting prices on all lines of goods all over the store.

620 yards finest imported plain organdies in Navy Blue and Black ground with white dots and figures: sold early in the season for 25c. We secured this lot so we can offer them at 15c.

800 yards all Silk Cream Lace would be cheap at 20 and 25c yard; as long as this lot lasts 10c yard.

300 Linen Crash and White Pique Skirts. Every lady can afford at least two at the low prices we are selling them at. No better assortment shown by any store, 39c to \$2.25.

270 Percal and Sateen Wrappers that we have just closed out from three leading manufacturers. You can buy a wrapper from us for less than you can buy the material for not counting the making, 98c, \$1.20 \$1.48.

Ladies' Cambric and Muslin Drawers. We mention just two special numbers that we know are the best ever shown at the price, 29 and 49c per pair.

46 inch Pure Mohair Brilliantine, sold by all for \$1 yard. Only five pieces in this lot. As long as they last 75c yard.

DOMESTIC—Best Sheets, 40, 44, 46c each; Pillow Cases, 9c, 12, 14c; White Bed Spread, 49, 69, 98c; all Linen Napkins, 98c; Summer Comforts, 98c, \$1.20, Special Table Linen, 50 and 79c yard; Extra size all linen Huck Towels 15c.

1,177 yards fine white Imported Organdies with dainty colored figures; also plain colors in the same lot. They would be cheap at 19c yard. It was a case of turning them into cash that we got this lot at such a ridiculous low price; as long as they last 10c yard.

240 Ladies Dainty Lawn Wrappers, handsomely made, trimmed either with braid or veil lace, perfect fitting: as long as they last 60 and 98c each.

100 Ladies 26 inch all Silk Carolina steel rod umbrellas, good for rain or shine, as long as they last 98c. One manufacturer told us they couldn't be made at a profit to him at the price we are selling them at.

1,272 Ladies' Ribbed Vests, just closed out from the manufacturer, with short sleeves or sleeveless. His loss is your gain. See our great values at 5, 10, 15, 19c.

Ladies' Cambric and Muslin Night Gowns. It is a wonder to all how we can sell them at the price we do, 49, 69, 89, 98c, \$1.48.

Lace Grenadine or Etienne, 38 inches wide, made to sell at 22½c wholesale; as long as they last 15c yard.

Fancy Ribbons in every combination of colors in Checks, Stripes and Plaids. Also plain Moire Taffeta Ribbon in all colors. One of the best bargains ever offered by any firm; about half the regular price, 19c yard.

Those little things you need so much during the summer and to take on your vacation.

Our own large bottle Florida Water 25c.

Pope's Violet Ammonia, finest goods made, 15c bottle, 2 bottles 25c.

Oakley's finest Triple Waters, two or four ounce bottles, 25 and 49c.

Bailey's Perfumed Talcum Powder 10c; Mennen's Talcum Powder 15c box.

Extra large bottle Household Ammonia, no better goods of the kind made, 8c bottle.

Almond Meal, one of the finest things for the complexion made, 25c bottle.

Tetlow's Face Powder 10c box; Tetlow's Gossemer Face Powder 19c box.

Lablanch Face Powder 39c; Bailey Face Powder, all shades, 10c box.

Genuine Violet Soap, with soap box for traveling, both for 10c.

Violet of Parmer Toilet Water 25c; extra large bottle of Vaseline 5c.

18 doz. one ounce bottle fine extracts, all odors, goods that we can warrant; as long as they last 15c, the regular price 25c.

Extra heavy bl-ached Bath Towels 15c each, 2 for 25c.

Special lot of fine Hair Brushes 25, 39, 48c.

Nail Brushes 15, 19, 25c; Tooth Brushes, two special lots, 5, 10c.

Pin Cubes, all colors of pins, 5c; Mending Tissue 10c; Belt Pins, extra value, 5, 10c.

Ladies' Puff Scarfs 25c; Maine Wire Belts 50c; new Velvet Belts 25, 50c; all Linen Collars, latest shapes, 10c.

Box Paper, 60 envelopes and 60 sheets paper, either plain or ruled, rough or satin finish, 19c box.

Our special box paper, plain or ruled, 24 sheets paper and 24 envelopes to match, 10c.

Corset Stays 4, 5, 6 hooks 5c; Stock-nit Arm Shields 9c pair; Ladies' Mincee and Children's Side Elastics 10c pair.

Violet Soap, 3 large cakes in a box, 10c per box.

WANTED ON BOND AND MORTGAGE—\$2,000, 5 per cent.—\$1,000 and \$500. Good security. EDWIN S. MERRILL, Attorney at Law, Rooms 8 and 9 Times Building, King street.

HOUSE Refrigerator, in fair order, gentle, 11. Automatic bicycle \$9, extension table, 8 feet, \$2, at the EXCHANGE AND MART CO., No. 44 East Main street.

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GRAIN, FEED, HAY—Large stock, low prices.

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FRED O. ROCKAFELLOW, Funeral Director

and Embalmer, 99 North street. Telephone No. 3. Lady assistant. New York office 154 East 29d street, with E. E. Taylor & Co.

KNAFF & MERRITT, Undertakers and Embalmers, 42 West Main street, corner James, Middletown, N. Y. 28 Great Jones st., New York city. Lady assistant. Telephone Call No. 16.

JOHN CONOVAN, Undertaker and Embalmer, 124 North street. Fine coaches to let. Telephone 15. Lady assistant. Open day and night.

DOUGHERTY & GAREY, Undertakers and Embalmers, 50 Cottage street, Middletown, Telephone 42, night and day. New York office, 51 Great Jones street. Also long distance telephone. Lady assistant.

LARGE Cakes of fine Castile Soap, with a Turkish bath each, 10c a cake. Have sold several gross of this soap, and it gives good satisfaction. Try it. CHAMBERS' Post Office Pharmacy, 57 North street, second door from post office.

I. D. OSTERHOUT, Undertaker and Embalmer, 44 James St., Middletown, N. Y. Orange County Telephone—1st red box, 318 off. 4 Hudson River or long distance telephone No. 291. Branch office: 44 Myrtle Ave., Brooklyn; 48 Great Jones St., New York. Lady Assistant.

FRESH PORK 1 AND 12 CENTS.

CHOPS 10 AND 11 CENTS.

GREENING'S.

WE wish now to reduce our stock of trimmed hats and so offer them at greatly reduced prices. Remnants of ribbon, lace, chiffon, maline, etc., at half price that will trim you a pretty hat at little cost. Baby bonnets sold at cost. MRS. BUSSE 14 North St.

MAGIC Toothache Drops will positively cure toothache of the worst kind. We make it and KNOW it will do the work. Suffer no longer when you can get relief for 10 cents. Made and sold only at CHAMBERS' Post Office Pharmacy, 57 North street, second door from post office.

WINDOW Screens, doors, oil stoves and fruit jars reasonable at DAYTON'S.

GOOD Comb and Brush for 35c, well worth 50c. Come in and let us show you them at CHAMBERS' Post Office Pharmacy, 57 North street, second door from post office.

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Cottage Hotel Entertainments.

WEEK OF JUNE 27.

The Flowers, aerial act and at spinning; Carrie Montell, acrobatic and dance; Irene Horvath, sweet singing; sobriette; Mamie Floyd, song and dance.

Concerts Sunday afternoon and evening. P. M.—Don't forget the grand band, Thursday night, in connection with the above show. Cars leave for Middletown at 1 a. m., and Goheen at 12:20.

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